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METHOD, MEDIUM STORING PROGRAM

FOR IMAGE PROCESSING, AND

INSPECTION APPARATUS

Examiner: Samir Anwar AHMED

## PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM ISSUE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2)

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Dea · Sir:

Petitioner hereby petitions the Commissioner to withdraw the above-identified application from issue in order to permit consideration of a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1...14 (Request for Continued Examination with an Information Disclosure Statement). On Sep ember 5, 2006, an Information Disclosure Statement was filed identifying a single Japanese reference JP-A-03-239902. This reference was not considered because a translation or English description was not included. This Petition to Withdraw From Issue is being filed in order to ensure this reference is considered during the prosecution of this application. A new Information Disclosure Statement for JP-A-03-239902 with a machine translation of the abstract and detailed description are also being filed. The Issue Fee in this application was timely paid on Heptember 26, 2006.

Please charge our Credit Card in the amount of \$920.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(h) and 1.17(e). Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038, with a signature from an authorized cardholder, is enclosed.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1073, under Order No. K06( 0.0208/P208. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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